

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

There is provided a powder comprising a base substance usable as a powder for cosmetics, a 5 hydroxyapatite and a zinc oxide, preferably a powder obtained on coating the surface of the substance with hydroxyapatite to form a hydroxyapatite coating layer on the surface of the base substance and fixing zinc oxide to the hydroxyapatite coating layer thereof, 10 suitable for use in cosmetics.

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The powder has a light reflection curve similar to that of the surface of the skin so that it exhibits good skin feeling and is superior in long wear effect for makeup and antibacterial effect.

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15 This powder is also superior in adsorbing, solidifying or congealing the sebum components or body odor components, and is useful as effective components for a sebum-adsorbent agent, a body deodorant or the like in addition to the cosmetics.